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For: CELL-FREE SYNTHESIS OF POLYKETIDES

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action herein mailed 28 July 2004, time for response for which is set to expire 28 October 2004. The pending claims, claims 1-22 were rejected solely on the basis of obviousness type double-patenting over certain claims in U.S. Patent Numbers 6,080,555 and 6,750,040. In order to expedite prosecution, submitted herewith are terminal disclaimers with respect to these patents. As there is no other outstanding basis for rejection, it is believed that claims 1-22 are now in position for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.